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Khripach et al.
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level in blood

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Sir:

RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION/ELECTION

In response to the examiner letter as of January 10, 2005, issued with connection with the above application, please consider the following election and remarks.

In response to the outstanding Restriction Requirement, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, specifically Claims 1 and 4, drawn to a method for decreasing cholesterol, low-density lipoprotein and triglyceride level in blood under cholesterol-enriched and normal diet. Also Applicants are willing to add one more claim. After such change the Claims are as follow:

1. A method for decreasing cholesterol levels in blood under cholesterol-enriched and normal diet, which comprises administering to a mammal 24-epibrassinolide (EBI), a plant hormone of structural formula I belong to brassinosteroid series.
2. The method of claim 1, wherein 24-epibrassinolide is administered as a medicament or a food supplement in a daily dose of 0.03-200 micrograms per kilogram of body weight.
3. The method of claim 1 comprising administering of 24-epibrassinolide during 4-12 weeks.

Please let me know if any fees may be required.

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